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DEPARTMENT OF FISHERIES

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF SUPERVISOR

VANCOUVER, B.C. May 7, 1951.

Mr. W.S. Arneil, Indian Commissioner for B.C., 325 Granville Street, Vancouver, B. C.

Dear Sir:

As you are no doubt aware from previous correspondence, this Department proposes to construct a fishway on the Left Bank of the Sproat River at Sproat Falls.

The actual site of the fishway, as shown on the attached linen tracing and prints by I.M.D. Fox, B.C. Land Surveyor, is below normal high water on the Sproat River, and therefore, outside the boundaries of Klehkoot I.R. No.2. Arrangements are presently in hand to have clearances issued by the Provincial Government on this area.

However, as was the case at Moricetown Falls, it will be necessary for our work crews, and contractor, to trespass on the Reserve in order to have access to the site of the fishway. A short access road will have to be built, together with some temporary storage sheds, and a small quantity of excavated rock will be dumped and levelled off, in the area outlined in red on the attached tracing. Our Department has indicated that we should obtain from you an annual renewable permit to trespass on the Reserve for the above purpose, rather than lease, or buy, the section of land outlined.

It would be greatly appreciated if you could give your earliest consideration to the issuance of such a permit. If any further details of the work are required for this purpose, please let us know.

Yours very truly,

A T Whitmore

A.J. Whitmore, CHIEF SUPERVISOR OF FISHERIES.

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